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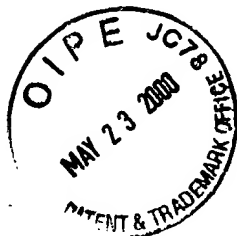
In re the Application of:

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For: METHOD FOR MEASURING THYROGLOBULIN



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Director of Patents and Trademarks
Washington, D.C. 20231

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Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated January 21, 2000 (the period for response having been extended by the Petition for Extension of Time attached hereto), please amend the above-identified patent application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please cancel claims 1-3, 5-9, 12-14 and 17-18 without prejudice and amend the following claims:

A¹ 4. (Amended) The method according to [claim 3] claims 19-22, wherein the lectin is one [capable of binding to] which can be eluted by L-fucose, D-galactose, [or] N-acetyl-d-

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